

THE PLOT THICKENS

IN THE WATKINS TRIAL AT TOLEDO

the Honesty of the Proceedings Relferred to
Attempt to Prove that Detective McMahon was
Hired by the Insurance Companies to
Obtain the Conviction of Watkins.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer,
TOLEDO, O., June 2.—Somewhat of

Watkins, charged with incendiarism, on the day, during the examination of the agent of the insurance company. In the preliminary trial last January an attempt was made in the case of Ferguson, indicted with Watkins, by his attorneys to ascertain who the parties were that were pushed into the prosecution, and a searching inquiry was made of each insurance representative, but with no success. To-day A. C. Osborn, an insurance agent, while under cross-examination admitted that the insurance companies had agreed to pay Detective McMahon \$1,000 if Ferguson or Watkins was convicted. He further testified that McMahon came to him after the fire and asked him to satisfy that Ferguson and Watkins burned the mill, and he said he was

A meeting of insurance men interested in the case was held, at which McMahon was present and he explained what he expected to prove. He said he had two women assisting him. There was no reward offered for testimony to convict, but they agreed to pay McMahon \$100,000.

The defense tried to get the witness to say that McMahon refused to give parties till the insurance men agreed to pay, but they didn't succeed. McMahon then worked up the case and employed counsel. The witness said that he didn't want a criminal prosecution commenced till Connell, the third partner, had sold out. Great Interest is taken in the trial which will be enhanced when McMahon and

FAIRMONT NEWS.
Condition of the Crops.—Death of an
Citizen.—School Commencement.
Special to the Intelligencer.
FAIRMONT, June 2.—The growing crop
in this section never looked better. Wheat
is heading out finely and will probably
be ready to harvest by the 25th. Corn and
potatoes look well, considering the late
start of the season. Some garden vegetables
such as beans, sweet corn, cucumbers, etc.,
which were planted before the cold weather
in April and May, failed to come up and
had to be replanted.
Butter is now fifteen cents and quail
plentiful, but beyond this there is rather
scarcity in the provision market. Good
hams cannot be had for less than

brings a high price. Some vegetables are brought from the East, but the prices are beyond the reach of most persons. Strawberries are selling at twenty-five cents a quart; they will be cheaper, however, when the home crop ripens.

The death of John J. Moore, Esq., this week, removes from our midst another land-mark. Mr. Moore was a member of the

three years old, and had lived in Fairmount nearly forty-five years, during which period he has been a respected and honored citizen. He was a man of more than ordinary intelligence, and held various offices of honor and trust, and was the possessor of all of which he filled with credit and ability. His son, Capt. E. W. Moore, of Washington, was at his bedside during his illness, and he lasted but five days.

Our public schools closed the last night with the graduating exercises of the senior class of the high school. Three young ladies and two young gentlemen have completed the course of study were awarded the usual diploma by the Board of Education. The following was the order of exercises:

PRAYER.
 Music.
 "Franche Commander's March"..... B. B. B.
 Misses Lucy and Mollie Wriggless..... B. B. B.
 Essay—Self-Improvement..... Lizzie R. Townsend.
 A Paper on Artistic Exploration..... Willie H. H.
 Music.
 "Dance Napolitaine"..... Sidney R. R.
 Music.
 Essay—The Sense of Beauty..... Emma L. Hayes.
 Music.
 "La Hilde"..... Ruth R.
 Misses Minnie and Adina Nichols..... B. B. B.
 Oration—Scientific Progress..... Charles H. M.
 Music.
 "March Bohème"..... Anna R.
 Mrs. L. L. Wriggless..... B. B. B.
 Essay—A Plea for the Girls..... Della G. G.
 Presentation of diplomas, by Dr. J. H. Brown.
 Address of the President of the Board of Education.
 Class Exercises.

Representation of Peabody model, by Joseph
Santa Fe
Music.

"The Last Smile" Wollen
Miss
Benediction.

State Superintendent Butcher was unable
to be present, and appointed Mr. Sand
to deliver the message, which he did in a ve
nest address. Charles H. Mayers was
successful contestant for this honor.

Normal school commencement exerci
place June 11th to 15th, of which m
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RAILROAD NEWS.

Specio, to the Intelligencer.

Sno, O., June 2.—The engineers
now locating the line of the Wheeling
Lake Erie road from Bowersstown
Wheeling. They will reach Fairview
Saturday. The heavy rains during
past few days have delayed the work v

NORWALK, June 2.—Contracts for the construction of the Wheeling & Lake Erie shops have been let to D. K. Cramer & Company of Toledo, for \$22,000, exclusive of

The Railway Age says the improvement that the building of railroads has had on this country during the past year of last year, which was between 9,000 and 10,000 miles. The fact is that during the first five months of 1882, there have been built on 120 lines of railroad, 3,480 miles of track. Track has been laid in thirty States and Territories this year, the largest being in Texas, 734 miles, and the smallest in Nevada, 10 miles. It is believed it is safe to say that there are now about 350 lines, covering at a moderate estimate a total of 26,000 miles, upon which work is either now in progress, or is proposed to be commenced during the present year.

had with C. H. Shattuck, a local conversant with the rights of way for the W. 1, & C. R. through Wood county from Parkersburg up to the Pleasants county line, there was a ruling in favor of the right of way, said rights of way, the formal one, said the 143 land owners along said route, had already donated the right of way arranged for the same, so that but nine claims to be secured, and arrangements to be made, were now pending. Mr. Shattuck's opinion there will be no condemnation required. This is gratifying information and speaks well for the character of the work done in this direction.

A saw mill boiler at Ruckersville, exploded yesterday, killing two men and wounding others.

When a person is well there must be action of every internal organ.